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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

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Dear Sir:

This is a request under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2003. This is a request for a two month extension of time from December 24, 2003 to February 24, 2004. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$420.00, the required fee for this extension of time.

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